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## Letter from Ida Chamberlin to Annie C. Pratt, November 15, 1900, with transcript

Le Copy of letter received in reply to a letter from Mrs. Pratt, in which was the following remarks. "I am surprised and disappointed that your did not more carefully read my letter to Mr. Chamberlin, enclosing copy of Dr. Bell's personal letter to myself. I do not think that you had any authority to quote any exp expressions Dr. Bell may have used in his personal letter to me. I am sorry now that I sent you a copy of his letter; my object was to aid you, and I have only succeeded in creating an unwise and erroneous prejudice." My dear Mrs Pratt —

I am sorry I have done anything to merit your disapproval. I am very sure I have not referred in any to what Dr. Bell said which could disturb him or you, except to John Hitz himself. I must say that that <u>was</u> a good thing to do as it happens.

I do not intend to offend Dr. Bell and I can wager that he will agree with me when we have had our talk the 21st.

I have been in town for three days of this week, and it is necessary for me to meet engagements on Monday.

Can I come to you sometime in the late morning, and have a little bread & milk? I don't want anything more.

We have our first applicant to consider now.

Hastily, (signed) Ida Chamberlin. Nov. 15, 1900.